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DEAR Members of the ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION,

AS YOU ARE WELL AWARE, INVESTING IN ENERGY EFFICIENCY IS AN OPTION TO PURCHASING ELECTRICITY.

I AM WRITING TO ENCOURAGE YOU TO CHOOSE

INCREASING ENERGY EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS AS PART OF THE APS RATE CASE AND

PART OF THE COMMISSION WORKSHOP ON ENERGY EFFICIENCY.

INVESTMENTS IN ENERGY EFFICIENCY YIELD HIGH RETURNS AND CAN BE IMPLEMENTED IN A SHORT TIME FRAME AND CUSTOMIZED TO SPECIFIC CONSUMER NEEDS. INCREASING ENERGY EFFICIENCY WILL NOT EXPOSE CUSTOMERS OR APS TO FLUCTUATING FOSSIL FUELS, NATURAL GAS, AND OTHER SUCH PRICES.

AS ARIZONA CONTINUES TO GROW INTO THE FUTURE, WE NEED A MORE EFFICIENT AND CLEANER MIX OF ENERGY RESOURCES. THE BENEFITS OF DOING SO WILL LEAD TO MORE STABILIZED PRICES, GREATER RELIABILITY AND A REDUCTION IN NEED FOR TRANSMISSION AND OTHER INFRASTRUCTURE SYSTEM COSTS.

WHEN ENERGY SUPPLY COSTS ARE REDUCED, BILLS ARE LOWERED FOR CUSTOMERS. TO ME, PAYING MORE IN ELECTRIC RATES TO PAY LESS ON MY ELECTRIC BILL MAKES SENSE. THE RESULTING ENERGY SAVINGS MORE THAN OFFSETS THE COST OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY MEASURES.

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Through increasing investments in energy efficiency programs, the commission will allow businesses and consumers to save money which can be used to benefit local economies in our state.

I urge you to move forward an increase energy efficiency requirements as part of the APS rate case and as part of the Commission workshops on energy efficiency.

Sincerely,
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